

NIMS *Alert*

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Who has to take NIMS and ICS training?

All federal, state, local, tribal, private sector and non-governmental personnel with a direct role in emergency management and response must be NIMS and ICS trained. This includes all emergency services related disciplines such as EMS, hospitals, public health, fire service, law enforcement, public works/utilities, skilled support personnel, and other emergency management response, support and volunteer personnel, as follows:

Entry Level

- FEMA IS-700: NIMS, An Introduction
- ICS-100: Introduction to ICS or equivalent

First Line, Single Resource, Field Supervisors

- IS-700, ICS-100 and ICS-200: Basic ICS or its equivalent

Middle Management: Strike Team Leaders, Division Supervisors, EOC Staff, etc.

- IS-700, IS-800 NRP, ICS-100, ICS-200 *and in FY07, ICS-300*

Command and General Staff; Area, Emergency and EOC Managers

- IS-700, IS-800, ICS-100, ICS-200 *and in FY07, ICS-300 and ICS-400*

What about elected officials?

The NIMS Integration Center strongly recommends that all elected official who will be interacting with multiple jurisdictions and agencies during an emergency incident at the minimum, complete IS-700: NIMS, An Introduction and ICS-100: Introduction to ICS. These courses provide a basic understanding of the National Incident Management System and the Incident Command System. Everyone directly involved in managing an emergency should understand the command reporting structures, common terminology and roles and responsibilities inherent in a response operation.